

**Middletown Public Schools**

**Middletown, Rhode Island**

**Thursday, January 7, 2016**

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Michael S. Pinto Conference Room**

**Members Present:**

**Theresa Spengler, Chairman**

**Kellie DiPalma Simeone, Vice-Chairman**

**Douglas Arnold**

**Liana Fenton**

**Member Absent:**

**William O'Connell**

**Also Present:**

**Rosemarie K. Kraeger, Superintendent of Schools**

**Linda Savastano, Assistant Superintendent**

**Raquel Pellerin, Business Manager**

**Peter Anderson, Director of Facilities/Transportation and Safety**

## **Benjamin Scungio, School Department Attorney**

**The Special School Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Mrs. Spengler announced that no vote was taken in Executive Session.**

**MOTION: 1) Kellie DiPalma Simeone, 2) Liana Fenton. To seal the minutes of Executive Session. Unanimous vote.**

**Administrative staff members in attendance were Michelle Fonseca, Linda Beaupre, Donna Chelf, and Beth Hayes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Mrs. Spengler welcomed all to the Special School Committee Meeting and introduced Attorney Benjamin Scungio. Attorney Scungio announced that he will be releasing the findings of a report regarding the technology purchase. He said it was extraordinary that the School Committee released the findings of the report, which are now public documents.**

**The School Committee authorized the hiring of Mr. Ernie Almonte, who will also be releasing a report which is a review of best practices and procedures. This is research based on the understanding of the law, accounting, and best practices.**

**These two reports build on the findings of the Desisto Report. Both Attorney Scungio and Mr. Almonte agree with the findings.**

**The complete reports can be viewed at [www.mpsri.net](http://www.mpsri.net) under "School Committee" and "Meetings, Agenda, and Minutes 2016".**

## **ADJOURN FROM MEETING**

**MOTION: 1) Kellie DiPalma Simeone, 2) Liana Fenton. To adjourn from the Special School Committee Meeting at 8:55 p.m. Unanimous vote.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Rosemarie K. Kraeger, Clerk**